

21 October 1960

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Plans)

SUBJECT: Letters of Appreciation for Graduates of
Basic Paramilitary Operations Course

1. Paragraph 5 recommends the DD/P sign the attached letters of appreciation for subject individuals.

2. The Basic Paramilitary Operations Course was proposed for your approval as a means of providing junior operations officers with thorough training in this subject to offset the marked deficiency in the Clandestine Services due to attrition and aging of present paramilitary specialists. It was determined that this training would be offered to JOT's upon completion of their basic training and similarly qualified junior operations officers. Of the 30 some JOT's who expressed an interest, 12 were selected and 3 others from Logistics for a total of 15. The course was designed to encompass the rigorous

4. You will recall the past unpopularity of paramilitary as pertaining to career development and that CA/PMG now desires to offset this by assuring those concerned that this specialization would not impede their progress as long as they possess qualifications in the

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other functional skills of the Clandestine Services. This aim is reflected in the subject training. However, as this is the first class in this training and the students may be concerned career-wise, it is believed appropriate to provide them with recognition of the importance of their newly acquired paramilitary ability and encouragement to retain it in the future through refresher training courses which will be made available.

5. For the above reasons, I believe it would be very meaningful to the students and a matter of interest to the Clandestine Services if the DD/P would personally sign the attached letters of appreciation which would be presented to them at an informal ceremony to be held by the Office of Training on 27 October 1960. As you may recall, it is the custom of the military services to provide certificates or diplomas for such occasions. This class differs from other OTR courses in that it was for three months and involved very strenuous physical as well as mental taxations.

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12 Attachments
(Letters of Appreciation)

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